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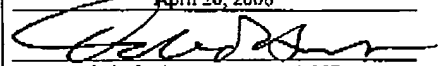
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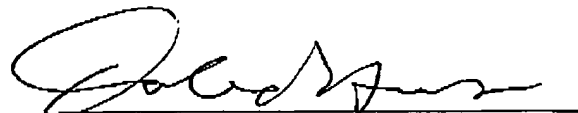
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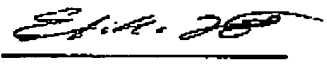
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- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement.
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 and before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311. A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is set forth below. Thus, no fee is required as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

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